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Cell Phone Use 'Ages' Drivers

SALT LAKE CITY | Talking on a cell phone makes you drive like a retiree - even if you're only a teen, a study shows.

A report from the University of Utah says when motorists between 18 and 25 talk on cell phones, they drive like elderly people moving and reacting more slowly and increasing their risk of accidents.

"If you put a 20-year-old driver behind the wheel with a cell phone, his reaction times are the same as a 70-year-old driver," said David Strayer, a University of Utah psychology professor and principal author of the study. "It's like instant aging."

And it doesn't matter whether the phone is hand-held or handsfree, he said. Any activity requiring a driver to "actively be part of a conversation" likely will impair driving abilities, Strayer said.

In fact, motorists who talk on cell phones are more impaired than drunken drivers with blood-alcohol levels exceeding 0.08, Strayer and colleague Frank Drews, found during research conducted in 2003.

The study appears in the winter issue of the journal Human Factors. LEON D'SOUZA (AP)

A Call for 'Effective' **Reforms**

Bush challenges Congress to find fix for Social Security

WASHINGTON | President Bush challenged a divided Congress on Wednesday to take political risks "to strengthen and save Social Security," saying the nation's costliest social program was headed for bankruptcy unless changed. Bush's plan would cut guaranteed retirement benefits for younger Americans but would not affect checks for people now 55 and older.

Bush, in his State of the Union address, pledged to work with Congress "to find the most effective combination of reforms,"

although he has ruled out some remedies such as raising Social Security taxes.

"One of America's most important institutions a symbol of trust between generations — is also in need of wise and effective reform," the president said



in remarks released in advance of the speech.

On the international front, Bush said Sunday's election in Iraq "opens a new phase in our work in that country. We will increasingly focus our efforts on helping prepare more capable Iraqi security forces — forces with skilled officers, and an effective command structure."

With the United States spending more than \$1 billion a week in Iraq, Bush urged Congress to support his request for an additional \$80 billion.

"During this time of war, we must continue to support our military and give them the tools for victory," he said. Terence Hunt (AP)

+ Breaking it down: Complete text and analysis of Bush's State of the Union | washingtonpost.com

D'OH! Duff Bluff A Queensland, Australia, woman pleaded guilty Wednesday to selling three nonexistent cases of "Duff" beer — the favorite of cartoon character Homer Simpson — on eBay. Tara Edith Woodford, 28, was paid a total of \$1,511 by three buyers after adver-



tising the bogus beer. The buyers paid money into Woodford's bank account, but contacted police when they never received the beer. In the mid-1990s, two breweries sold a real version of Duff in Australia until legal action took it off the market. (AP) EyeOpeners | Page 2

Statue of Limitations

Trouble began as soon as "Baggage Handler," a statue of a suitcase-toting naked man surrounded by luggage, was installed at a turnaround in Penticton, British Columbia. At a town council meeting last month soon after the publicly funded statue was unveiled, Mayor David Perry and some residents demanded it be removed. Council members said they were unaware of the nudity last year when they approved the statue, but voted to allow it to remain through September, when it will be replaced. As a compromise, a plate was installed over the genitalia. but was removed because it drew attention to the figure's groin area and looked silly. Now vandals have bashed away the penis on Michael Hermesh's 61/2-foot statue, broken the ankles and knocked over the 24 suitcases. (AP)

ESCAPES

Bathroom Break

A Slovakian man trapped in his car by an avalanche urinated his way to freedom after drinking 60 16-ounce bottles of beer, the Register reported Monday. Richard Kral was vacationing in the mountains when the snow swallowed his Audi. Luckily, in planning for his trip,



FRAUD

Attention Kmart **Board Members**

A former Kmart cashier used an \$8 rubber stamp, a laptop computer and an old payroll check to nearly defraud the retailer out of \$145 million, the Detroit News reported. Eduardo A. Portero, 20, who lived with his parents in Miami, admitted to the scheme last month. Portero set up overseas accounts using aliases, including the name of Kmart treasurer James Gooch. He sent forged Kmart board resolutions to its stock transfer company, EquiServe, authorizing stock transfers to him, using a cheap stamp to mimick the Kmart seal. EquiServe sent him shares worth \$53.8 million last Aug. 17, but, because Portero forgot to include the apartment number on his return address, they were sent back as undeliverable, prompting the FBI to investigate. Despite the returned delivery, EquiServe on Aug. 26 sent him \$76 million in stock. But the FBI was already on his trail, and he was arrested Sept. 13. (EXPRESS)



Battle for the Ages

It's called the City of Brotherly Love, but apparently two American Revolution icons didn't get the memo. Philadelphia's Benjamin Franklin. portrayed by Ralph Archbold, arm wrestled Boston's Paul Revere, portrayed by Ross Dillman, during an event at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia Wednesday, to promote the upcoming Super Bowl matchup between the Philadelphia Eagles and the New England Patriots. Fending off the threat of having his hand mashed into a cheesesteak. Franklin defeated Revere, pushing his arm into a Boston creme pie. (AP)





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BOMBED THREAT: A woman who misplaced her passport last spring and had a friend call a bomb threat into the Philadelphia airport to delay her flight was given a year in prison Wednesday. Hatice Ceylan, 19, and the friend also must reimburse the airline \$9,075.



Nation

In Brief

WASHINGTON

House Republicans Replace Ethics Committee Chairman

House Republicans on Wednesday replaced the ethics chairman who presided over rebukes of a GOP leader, a change Democrats called a purge of a lawmaker who wouldn't follow the party line. The naming of Rep. Doc Hastings, R-Wash., to take over for chairman Joel Hefley, R-Colo., was not a surprise. Speaker Dennis Hastert had been signaling that he would not waive a rule limiting Hefley's term. (AP)

MIAMI

Doctors Arrested for Allegedly Selling Fake Botox

Two Arizona doctors have been arrested on charges of creating and selling bootleg Botox that left four people paralyzed. Drs. Chad Livdahl and Zarah Karim of Tucson, Ariz., sold 3,081 vials of knockoff Botox to doctors nationwide for \$1.5 million, U.S. Attorney Marcos Daniel Jimenez said Wednesday. (AP)

SAN FRANCISCO

Court Clears Execution Path For Founder of Crips Gang

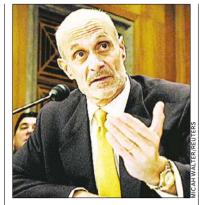
A federal appeals court Wednesday refused to consider blocking the execution of Stanley "Tookie" Williams, a founder of the Crips street gang who was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize while in prison. Williams was sentenced to death in 1981 for killing a store clerk and also was convicted of killing three other people. (AP)

Chertoff Faces Tough Questioning

Homeland Security pick defends his role in interrogation legalities

WASHINGTON | Senate Democrats peppered Homeland Security Secretary nominee Michael Chertoff with questions Wednesday about his tenure as a top Justice Department prosecutor, focusing on whether he had a role in approving improper interrogation methods for terror suspects.

Chertoff, now a federal appeals



Cabinet nominee Michael Chertoff testifies on Capitol Hill on Wednesday.

court judge in New Jersey, maintained he gave the CIA only broad guidance and never addressed the legality of any specific interrogation technique.

"My answer was exactly the same: I am not in a position to evaluate a set of facts based on a hypothetical circumstance," Chertoff said under pointed questioning from Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., during his confirmation hearing in front of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee.

Despite the grilling, Chertoff is expected to be easily confirmed as the nation's second homeland security secretary. Levin said after the hearing that he knew of no senator who planned to oppose Chertoff—even though he personally remained undecided.

The full Senate could vote on the confirmation as early as next week. LARA JAKES JORDAN (AP)

Hot seat: In cordial Senate hearing, Chertoff takes queries on interrogation techniques | Today's Post, A Section

Two Fired Over Offensive Radio Tsunami Parody

NEW YORK | The producer and cohost of a morning radio show that mocked tsunami victims have been fired.

"The actions of the morning show crew were socially and morally indefensible and the entire Emmis family is ashamed by this," Rick Cummings, president of WQHT-FM parent company Emmis Radio, said in a statement. The company also said it would donate \$1 million to tsunami relief.

The song broadcast on New York's leading hip-hop station, known locally as Hot 97, put tasteless lyrics to the melody of the 1985 charity single "We Are the World." (AP)

Corporate Jet Skids Off N.J. Runway

TETERBORO, N.J. | A corporate jet skidded off a runway Wednesday on takeoff and hurtled across a sixlane highway during the morning rush hour, smashing into two cars and punching through the wall of a warehouse. About 20 people were taken to the hospital, including two injured in their cars.

Crew members and passengers walked or crawled from the burning wreckage after the crash at Teterboro Airport, a small airport about 12 miles from Manhattan that caters to executive jets.

"I think everybody at this point is extremely lucky and fortunate," said acting Gov. Richard J. Codey.

The cause of the crash was not immediately known. The Bombardier Challenger CL-600 had been chartered by Kelso &



COLLISION: An aerial view of the jet's crash site in Teterboro, N.J., on Wednesday.

Co., a New York-based investment firm, to take company employees and guests to Chicago.

All 11 people on the plane were taken to the hospital; the most seriously hurt among them was one of the pilots, who had a broken leg. One of those injured in a car was in critical condition. Five firefighters were also taken to the hospital with minor injuries, and a man in the warehouse was also hurt. (AP)

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BEES STUNG: A pinhead-sized mite — the Varroa destructor — is decimating honey bee colonies across the country, reducing many by half. The mite feeds on the bees and their larvae. Honey bees pollinate about a third of the human diet.

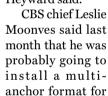
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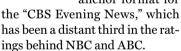
Rather to be briefly replaced by Schieffer, network announces

NEW YORK | Dan Rather will be temporarily replaced with veteran "Face the Nation" host Bob Schieffer when Rather steps down next month as "CBS Evening News" anchor, the network said Wednesday.

Schieffer will serve "for a short transition period" until the broadcast gets a new format, CBS News

President Andrew Heyward said.





Schieffer

The announcement confirms that new format won't be ready in time for Rather's exit March 9 — the 24th anniversary of the day he took over from Walter Cronkite.

"I'm very honored that they asked me, but I'm not replacing Dan Rather," Schieffer said. "This is a temporary assignment and I'm doing it to be helpful until they come up with what comes next." DAVID BAUDER (AP)

TRADITIONS | GETTING THEIR PHIL



GUEST OF HONOR: Official Groundhog Handler Bill Deeley holds Punxsutawney Phil up for the crowd in Punxsutawney, Pa., on Tuesday after the groundhog made his annual weather prediction. The groundhog reportedly saw his shadow, which forecasts six more weeks of wintry cold.

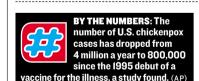
Judge Tells CIA to Share Documents

NEW YORK | A federal judge on Wednesday ordered the CIA to comply with the Freedom of Information Act and turn over to watchdog groups records concerning the treatment of prisoners in Iraq.

The spy agency also was given the option of explaining better why it cannot release the documents.

It was the second time in six months that the judge suggested the government was impeding the American Civil Liberties Union's quest to monitor government actions in the war on terrorism.

The ACLU filed its lawsuit in October 2003 seeking information on treatment of detainees in U.S. custody and the transfer of prisoners to countries known to use torture. (AP)



Professor's 9/II Remarks Denounced

DENVER | Colorado lawmakers Wednesday unanimously condemned remarks by a University of Colorado professor who likened the victims of the World Trade Center attacks to Nazis, and Gov. Bill Owens called for his firing.

The Colorado House approved a nonbinding resolution saying Ward Churchill's remarks struck "an evil and inflammatory blow against America's healing process."

In an essay written in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, Churchill said the World Trade Center victims were "little Eichmanns." Churchill also spoke of the "gallant sacrifices" of the "combat teams" that struck America.

Churchill has said in a statement that he was not defending the attacks, "but simply pointing out that if U.S. foreign policy results in massive death and destruction abroad, we cannot feign innocence when some of that destruction is returned." He did not immediately return a call Wednesday. (AP)

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Digital Dilemma: As computers continue to permeate our lives, what happens to digital bits of information when the owners die is a vexing question. | Page A1

Legal Rights: Ailing civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks will turn 92 on Friday as lawyers and relatives battle over a reference to her legacy in an Outkast song. | A Section

Sky Woes: After several rounds of job cuts, US Airways is understaffed for the launch of 50 additional flights from Reagan National Airport on Sunday. | Business

Nation

Hubble's Future Remains Unclear

Congress concerned about safety risks, cost of telescope repair

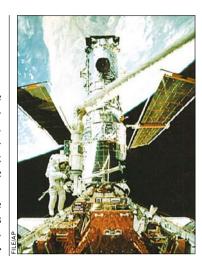
WASHINGTON | Saving the Hubble Space Telescope may be too expensive and dangerous, lawmakers said Wednesday after hearing from scientists who are split on the best way to repair or retire the cosmic camera.

The chairman of the House Science Committee said Congress needs to decide whether the 14year old telescope, renowned for its inspiring snapshots, is worth the cost of repair — estimated to be as much as \$2 billion.

While NASA has sent several repair missions, experts say another one is needed because the batteries and gyroscopes probably will fail between mid-2007 and 2010.

But with the crash on Feb. 1, 2003, of the space shuttle Columbia, a manned mission to repair Hubble is not worth the risk, said Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif.

Scientists also appear divided about the best course of action.



Astronauts perform maintenance on the Hubble Space Telescope in 1999.

NASA caused an uproar among scientists last year when the agency said that the safety of astronauts should not be put at risk in order to repair Hubble.

A National Academy of Sciences committee concluded in December that NASA should use astronauts, not a robot, for a repair attempt.

NASA has agreed that failing all else, it will use a robot to steer Hubble into the ocean by 2013. (AP)

Chicago Hispanics Offended by New **American Girl Doll**

CHICAGO | Some residents of Chicago's largely Hispanic Pilsen section are upset over a new doll in the popular American Girl series because her storyline says the Mexican-American youngster and her family left the "dangerous" neighborhood for a better life in the suburbs.

"It's very offensive and it's really a slap in the face to the hardworking people of the Pilsen community," said Alvaro R. Obregon, who lives near where the doll, Marisol, supposedly lived before setting out for suburban Des Plaines.

According to the biography that accompanies the doll, which was introduced just after Christmas, she



The story behind American Girl doll Marisol Luna is stirring controversy.

is the daughter of a transit worker and an accountant.

The old neighborhood "was no place for me to grow up," the doll's story says. "It was dangerous, and there was no place for me to play."

American Girl officials said they never intended to insult the community. (AP)







World



THE GREEN FAIRY: The Swiss government on Wednesday overturned a 1908 ban on the consumption of absinthe, an herbal liqueur with hallucinogenic properties concocted in Switzerland in 1792. Sale of the drink remains illegal in the United States.

Mideast Leaders OK Talks

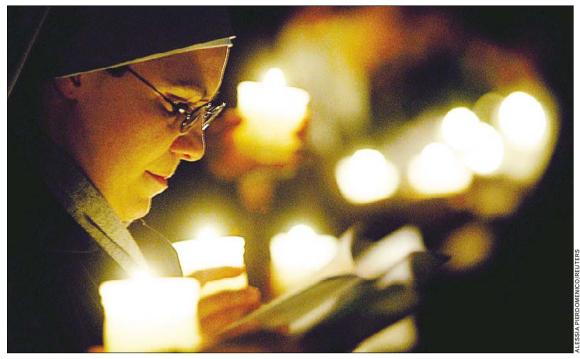
Egypt to host summit next week between Israeli PM, Abbas

CAIRO, EGYPT | Egypt on Wednesday invited the leaders of Israel and the Palestinian Authority to a summit next week, indicating confidence that a much-anticipated breakthrough in the Israeli-Palestinian peace process is in the offing.

Word of the summit, which all parties agreed to attend, came as Damascus-based leaders of the Palestinian militant groups Hamas and Islamic Jihad met Egyptian intelligence officials in Cairo, seen as a key step toward securing a truce from Palestinian factions.

The summit, to be held Tuesday in the Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheik, was expected to focus on a possible Palestinian prisoner release and West Bank troop redeployment. Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas and King Abdullah of Jordan have all accepted invitations to attend from summit host, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice is scheduled to arrive in the region over the weekend. There has been no word on whether she will attend the summit. (AP)



VIGIL: A nun prays in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican on Wednesday. Catholics worldwide united in prayer for the pontiff.

Pope to Remain in Hospital

Vatican: Breathing problems 'no cause for alarm'

VATICAN CITY | Frail and laid low by the flu, Pope John Paul II will spend a few more days in the hospital after being rushed there with breathing troubles, the Vatican said. Although the Holy See insisted there was "no cause for alarm," a top church health official said doctors were on guard for complications.

The pope is "recovering well," Cardinal Angelo Sodano, the Vatican secretary of state, said on Italian television Wednesday. "This respiratory problem could have been treated even at home," he said.

Keeping the 84-year-old pope hospitalized will afford "many means to stay ready for any complications," said Cardinal Javier Lozano Barragan, head of the Vatican's health care office. Doctors say pneumonia can be a deadly complication if infection reaches the lungs.

The slumping pontiff also suffers from Parkinson's disease and crippling hip and knee ailments, and his inability to hold his back up straight has left his lungs and diaphragm in a crushed position, Barragan said.

Tests showed the pope's heart and respiration were normal, and he felt well enough to participate from his bed in a Mass celebrated by his secretary, papal spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls said.

'God's athlete': Catholics pray for the pontiff who always seems to pull through | Today's Post: Section A

In Brief

NORTHERN IRELAND

IRA Withdraws Offer to Disarm But Will Honor Truce

The Irish Republican Army has withdrawn its offer to disarm, deepening the deadlock in a Northern Ireland peace process already hobbled by the IRA's alleged robbery of a Belfast bank.

In a hard-line statement released Wednesday, the IRA sternly rejected British and Irish government criticisms that the outlawed group was committing major crimes and primarily to blame for the worsening impasse. But the IRA did pledge to stick to its 1997 cease-fire. (AP)

GERMANY

Number of Unemployed Hits 5 Million, a Post-War High

German unemployment hit a new post-World War II high in January, passing the politically sensitive 5 million mark for the first time. The unadjusted jobless rate in Germany rose to 12.1 percent, with 5.037 million people out of work in the nation of 82 million, as a new benefit system swelled the ranks of the registered jobless, the government's Federal Labor Agency said. (AP)

IRAN

Nuclear Program Will Never Be Scrapped, Official Says

Iran will never scrap its nuclear program, and talks with Europeans are intended to protect the country's nuclear achievements, not negotiate an end to them, an Iranian official said Wednesday. The remarks by Ali Agha Mohammadi, spokesman of Iran's Supreme National Security Council, are the latest in a hardening of Iran's stance amid ongoing talks with European negotiators. (AP)

SPAIN

Bombing Suspect Arrested

Spanish police have arrested a Moroccan in connection with the March 11 train bombings in Madrid, authorities said on Wednesday. Rachid Bendouda is believed to have had links with fellow countryman Abdennabi Kounjaa, one of seven suspects who blew themselves up when police raided an apartment in Madrid on April 3 in search of train bombing suspects. (AP)

Nepali King Tightens Grip on Country

Appoints loyalists to run government after sacking prime minister

KATMANDU, NEPAL | King Gyanendra announced a 10-member Cabinet dominated by his own supporters on Wednesday, one day after he dismissed Nepal's government, declared emergency rule and virtually cut his nation off from the world.

Dozens of politicians have been arrested and many more have gone underground to avoid detention, an opposition figure said, as extra riot



Nepali policemen stand guard near the royal palace in Katmandu on Tuesday.

police patrolled the streets of the capital, Katmandu, where civil liberties were severely curtailed.

Gyanendra will head the new

Cabinet, state radio said. An official said the new government would reach out to the country's Maoist rebels to renew peace talks. The rebels, who control much of rural Nepal, broke off talks in August 2003. They balked at invitations from Prime Minister Sher Bahadur Deuba to renew the talks, insisting that real authority remained with the king.

The king on Tuesday sacked Deuba's government, accusing it of failing to hold parliamentary elections or control the Maoist insurgency and pledging to do both himself within three years. (AP)

U.S. Troops on Aid Mission in Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI | U.S. troops are returning to Haiti to build schools and provide medical care in a humanitarian mission that comes nearly a year after President Jean-Bertrand Aristide was ousted, military officials said Wednesday.

The mission will draw about 1,000 troops over a three-month period, 50 of whom arrived Tuesday, said U.S. Lt. Col. James Marshall. Their efforts will be focused in Gonaives, where the rebellion began and where floods in September killed nearly 2,000 people. (AP)

VW BUGS: Volkswagen won't pursue further legal action against two Britons whose Web spoof ad suggested VW cars are built so tough they can withstand a suicide bombing, a VW spokesman said. The men apologized and pulled the video from their site.



World

IRAQ | THE FALLEN



FAREWELL: A Marine weeps during a memorial for 31 servicemembers who died when a U.S. helicopter crashed in western Iraq last week. It was the deadliest single incident for U.S. forces here since the March 2003 invasion.

Sunnis Question Vote in Iraq

But clerics ready to 'respect the choice' of voters

BAGHDAD | Iraq's leading Sunni Muslim clerics said Wednesday the country's landmark elections lacked legitimacy because large numbers of Sunnis did not participate in the balloting.

In its first statement since the vote, the Association of Muslim Scholars said the new leadership will lack a mandate to draft a new constitution and should be considered a temporary administration.

"We make it clear to the United Nations and the international community that they should not get involved in granting this election legitimacy because such a move will open the gates of evil," the statement said.

'We are going to respect the choice of those who voted and we will consider the new government - if all the parties participating in the political process agree on it as a transitional government with limited powers," it added.

Official voter turnout figures have yet to be released, but a Western diplomat speaking on condition of anonymity Wednesday said turnout appeared to have been "quite low" in Iraq's vast Anbar province, which includes the rebellious cities of Fallujah and Ramadi. (AP)

AL-ZAWAHRI & THE VOTE

In a clear reference to Iraq's election, a statement purportedly made by Osama bin Laden's top deputy says holy war, not "rigged elections," is the only path for reform in Islamic nations.

The written statement, said to have been the transcript of a speech by al Qaeda No. 2 Ayman al-Zawahri, first appeared on radical Islamist Web sites Tuesday.

It was not immediately possible to authenticate the statement AUS intelligence official said on condition of anonymity that the voice is believed to be that of al-Zawahiri.

Aid Effort Hits Bottleneck in Sri Lanka

Tsunami relief isn't reaching 70% of those in need, official says

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA | Bureaucratic bungling has blocked food and medicine from reaching 70 percent of Sri Lankans left destitute by the tsunami, a government official said Wednesday, while nine survivors of the disaster were found deep in a jungle on a remote Indian island.

Thilak Ranavirajah, chief of Sri Lanka's presidential task force coordinating relief, estimated relief had reached only 30 percent of those who need it in the second hardest-



BACK TO WORK: Children in the tsunami-hit city of Banda Aceh on Indonesia's Sumatra island attend school at a refugee camp on Tuesday.

hit nation, after Indonesia.

"The president directed me to see that all families, or at least 70 percent to 75 percent of them, get relief by this weekend," he said.

The Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami that struck on Dec. 26 killed more than 30,000 in Sri Lanka. Nearly 1 million people lost family members or their homes.

In the Sri Lankan capital, hundreds of people protested outside the U.N. World Food Program office Wednesday, complaining they had not received food rations.

On Tuesday, the government began investigating complaints that food aid intended for tsunami victims had disappeared and some of the homeless living in camps were being fed rotten supplies. (AP)

U.N. Spokesman Says He Misstated **Clinton's New Role**

UNITED NATIONS | Former U.S. President Bill Clinton will spearhead U.N. efforts to promote reconstruction in tsunami-devastated countries but will not play a political role in trying to resolve conflicts in Indonesia and Sri Lanka, the United Nations said Wednesday.

U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard

said he misunderstood Clinton's mandate when he told reporters Tuesday that U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan wanted to appoint a special envoy not only to focus on reconstruction but to try to help resolve conflicts with rebels in the two worst-hit countries.

Eckhard said the terms of reference for Clinton's U.N. job are being finalized "but they will focus on reconstruction and recovery in the region and ensuring that the international community stays engaged for the long-term." (AP)



hardest hit by the tsunami, have given police unprecedented access to a national "biobank" to help speed up the process of identifying those dead and missing after the disaster. The biobank contains blood samples rom almost every person born in Sweden since 1975, the year it was created. (AP)

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Money



BOOB TUBE: Adelphia Communications has become the nation's only leading cable operator to offer XXX-rated programming, starting Friday in southern California via video-on-demand technology, the Los Angeles Times reported.

Kodak Chalks Up First Digital 'Win'

Photo pioneer finally leaps ahead of Sony in filmless-camera race

ROCHESTER, N.Y. | After a stumbling start in filmless photography, Eastman Kodak Co. has chalked up its first win on home soil in the annual digital-camera derby.

Helped by a late kick, Kodak surged ahead of perennial front-runner Sony Corp. in U.S. digital camera shipments in 2004 — a key achievement by the American picture-taking pioneer as the digital revolution rapidly erodes its fat profits from silver-halide film.

Kodak shipped 4.88 million pointand-shoot digital cameras to U.S. retailers last year — 66 percent more than in 2003 — and its market share jumped from 17.9 percent to 21.9 percent, according to data released Wednesday by IDC, a research firm in Framingham, Mass.

Sony, the Tokyo-based elec-



Employees package digital cameras at Eastman Kodak in Rochester Tuesday.

tronics and entertainment giant, shipped 4.33 million cameras, up 21 percent from 2003, but its slice of the U.S. market plunged from 21.7 percent to 19.4 percent, IDC said.

Four other Japanese companies filled out the top seven slots. $\ensuremath{({\sf AP})}$

Fed Raises Rates Another Quarter-Point

WASHINGTON | The Federal Reserve on Wednesday raised interest rates for the sixth time since last June as policy-makers continued their efforts to make sure a strengthening economy does not trigger unwanted inflation.

The Fed announced that it was raising its target for the federal

funds rate, the interest that banks charge each other, by a quarterpoint to 2.5 percent. Before the Fed began tightening credit last June, the funds rate had been at a 46-year low of 1 percent.

The February increase is not expected to be the last. Analysts think the Fed will push the funds

rate up in quarter-point increments through most of this year.

That would mean higher borrowing costs for consumers and businesses. The Fed's action on Wednesday was quickly followed by an announcement from Wells Fargo Bank that it was boosting its prime lending rate by a quarter point to 5.50 percent. Other banks were expected to follow suit. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Halve

	CUKKENI	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	5.25	5.25
Fed Funds close	2.4375	2.3125
3-month	2.47	2.32
2-year	3.32	3.26
10-year	4.14	4.20
30-year	4.58	4.66

NASDAQ Stock Market

			Gainers			
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9.32	+1.52	+19.5	Angeion	3.29	+1.09	+49.5
12.46	+1.42	+12.9	Myogen	9.00	+1.93	+27.3
9.02	+1.02	+12.8	Castelle h	3.74	+.79	+26.8
10.02	+1.00	+11.1	DayStar n	4.08	+.85	+26.3
16.99	+1.64	+10.7	TW Tele	4.25	+.87	+25.7
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23.60	-2.29	-8.8	Candela s	9.60	-2.50	-20.7
72.75	-6.29	-8.0	drugstre	2.36	50	-17.5
39.84	-3.03	-7.1	Haggar	18.78	-3.45	-15.5
41.14	-2.67	-6.1	PinnaclA	10.88	-1.64	-13.1
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Canadian Dollar	1.2380	1.2365	1.3380
European Euro	.7670	.7666	.8055
Japanese Yen	103.75	103.64	105.61
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Barclay	45.05	31	-1.4				
CredSuiss	40.72	+.12	-3.5				
DeutschBk	85.90	41	-3.5				
HSBC	82.55	47	-3.0				
JPMorgCh	37.52	+.02	-3.8				
LloydTSB	38.45	+.43	+4.5				
MitsuTkyo	9.54	01	-6.7				
UBS AG	82.53	+.81	-1.6				
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Leaders Get Reality Check

With help from Lego, area's growth mapped out

WASHINGTON | Government and business leaders learned some lessons on playing well with others Wednesday as they mapped out different visions of the region's future using Lego toy building blocks.

While it looked like a game, organizers called the one-day workshop "Reality Check." The goal was to come up with a plan to deal with 2 million new residents and 1.6 million new jobs coming to the region over the next 25 years.

Local lawmakers, business leaders and environmentalists were divided into teams at 30 tables. Each had to decide where to put the Lego pieces, which represented housing, jobs and transportation. The hope was to eliminate traditional objections and reach some common solutions to handle the growth.

After three hours, they did reach some consensus. All the tables agreed to increase jobs and housing near public transit, said Gerritt Knaap, executive director of the National Center for Smart Growth at the University of Maryland.

"We have to improve the transportation infrastructure no matter how we grow," said Kate Hanley, a Commonwealth transportation board member. HEATHER GREENFIELD (AP)



Regional leaders agreed growth must be tied to improved transportation systems.

D.C. Stadium Dealings Under Scrutiny

WASHINGTON | District lawmakers called for an investigation Wednesday into a report that consultants from City Administrator Robert Bobb's former home in Oakland, Calif., were hired to help the city win a baseball team.

The city paid at least \$465,000 to several consultants with ties to Bobb, according to city documents obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request by WTOP Radio.

Council member David Catania. I-At-Large, said he was troubled by the apparent use of taxpayer money, noting that Williams said no public funds would be used to plan, design, or build a new stadium.

Bobb denied any wrongdoing. (AP)

District Wages Battle Against Violent Games

WASHINGTON | Businesses could be banned from selling or renting violent and sexually explicit video and computer games to minors under legislation several city lawmakers plan to propose Thursday.

Those who do not comply with the ban could be fined up to \$10,000 and lose their licenses.

Ronald Moten, co-founder of Peaceoholics, some D.C. Council members and religious leaders plan to announce the legislation and outline ideas for reducing youth violence at a news conference in Southeast Washington.

Under the proposed legislation, businesses would be banned from selling or renting games to children under 17 that are rated "M" for mature and "RP," which means rating pending, by the game industry's Entertainment Software Rating Board. Teens younger than 18 also would not be allowed to buy or rent games rated "AO" for Adults Only.

Twelve of the 13 council members and Mayor Anthony A. Williams are backing the legislation. CANDACE SMITH (AP)

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Nationals Show Their True Colors

Players meet the fans, model jerseys as team readies for opening day

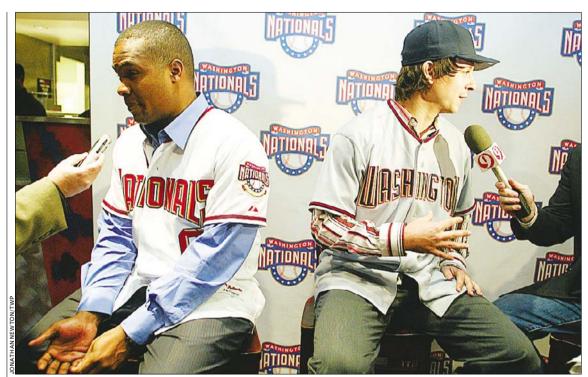
NATIONALS | Seven weeks later than planned, the Washington Nationals put on a fashion show.

Outfielder Jose Guillen, shortstop Cristian Guzman, starter Zach Day and closer Chad Cordero modeled their new jerseys and signed autographs at the ESPN Zone Wednesday in a rare public function for a team scrambling to get settled in its new home by opening day.

The jerseys were to be unveiled Dec. 16, but the event was postponed when a vote by the D.C. Council temporarily put the franchise's relocation from Montreal in doubt. The move was back on track a week later, and the jerseys were then revealed on the team's Web site so fans could start buying them.

The home white jersey features the word "Nationals," while "Washington" adorns the road gray jersey. A third, alternate jersey remains in the works.

Despite the team's limited pres-



HOME AND AWAY: Washington Nationals outfielder Jose Guillen, left, and pitcher Zach Day are interviewed during a media session on Wednesday. The new acquisitions were part of a group that showed off the team's uniforms at the ESPN Zone.

ence in the city, the public reception has been positive. About 18,000 season tickets have been sold, and merchandise sales have been strong.

Pitchers and catchers report to

the Nats' spring training base in Viera, Fla., on Feb. 15, with position players following five days later. Meanwhile, work will continue in Washington to complete the renovation of RFK, the hiring of more employees, creation of a mascot, completion of a radio contract and preliminary work on logistics for a television deal. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

Maryland Lands Prized DE Recruit From Baltimore

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | Maryland on Wednesday announced a 24-man recruiting class headlined by Baltimore defensive end Melvin Alaeze and highlighted by five speedy wide receivers.

Alaeze was rated the nation's No. 1 defensive end by most recruiting services. He will likely challenge for a starting spot as a true freshman, head coach Ralph Friedgen said.

Maryland also signed five wide receivers: Darrius Heyward-Bey of Silver Spring; Florida wideout Nolan Carroll; Danny Oquendo of Hackensack, N.J., and Isaiah Williams of Montclair, N.J.

Local recruiting has long been an emphasis for Friedgen, who was pleased to have landed 10 of the top 12 seniors in the state. (AP)

It's Finally Sosa: Orioles Land Sammy

After commissioner OKs trade, Baltimore introduces its new star

ORIOLES | Sammy Sosa will be taking aim at American League pitchers and the short left-field wall at Camden Yards this summer.

The trade that sent Sosa to the Baltimore Orioles from the Chicago Cubs was finalized Wednesday after commissioner Bud Selig approved the deal and the slugger passed his physical.

Chicago received second baseman Jerry Hairston Jr. and two minor leaguers, second baseman Mike Fontenot and right-handed pitcher Dave Crouthers.

"I had a great time in Chicago," Sosa during a news conference at Camden Yards. "This is my new house, and I love it."



"This is my new house," Sosa said.

Under terms of the addendum to Sosa's contract that he signed Thursday, the Cubs will pay \$16.15 million of the \$25 mil-

lion Sosa was still owed under his \$72 million, four-year contract, according to details obtained by The Associated Press.

Baltimore is responsible for just \$8.85 million of Sosa's \$17 million salary this year, with the Cubs paying the rest. Because Sosa is paid on a 12-month basis and already had received \$1,307,692 of his salary this year, that amount was credited to what the Cubs owe Baltimore, meaning the Orioles will receive \$6,842,308 in cash from Chicago.

"Obviously, it's a historic day," Cubs general manager Jim Hendry said. "It's a day we feel is in the best interest of all parties."

Sosa will likely bat in the cleanup spot between Miguel Tejada and Rafael Palmeiro. DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

Fan Fare

To the Spoiled Go the Victors

AT THE TURN OF THE MILLENNIUM,

one would have been hard pressed to find a city more synonymous with losing than Boston. The Patriots weren't far removed from a 1-15 season. The Celtics still hadn't recovered from the end of the Larry Bird era. The Bruins hadn't won a Stanley Cup in 30 years. And the Red Sox had been tormenting their fans with painful losses for more than 80 seasons. Bostonians were passionate about their teams, but never realistically expected a title in any sport to come to The Hub.

Three championships and one broken curse later, the Boston

sports scene has completely changed. Boston's sports teams have gone on the city's best run since Paul Revere. And it appears to be getting

"New England fans expect nothing less than another championship, and they assume one will be delivered."

even better. The Sox are poised to defend their first title in 86 years. The Celtics finally look like they're turning the corner. Even Boston College basketball is undefeated and highly ranked. And of course, the Pats are the favorite Sunday to win their third Super Bowl in four years.

In the past, Boston would have been on edge about the Patriots, waiting for fate to deliver another blow to a tortured city. Winning is commonplace now. New England fans expect nothing less than another championship, and they assume one will be delivered.

There is concern that the Eagles will end Philadelphia's title drought since this is the year of broken curses

But the smart money is on adding one more crown to Boston's suddenly crowded trophy case.

Mark Zaner lived in Boston for seven years. He is a senior at the University of Maryland.



Choose Your Own Adventure: The Nationals came so close to finalizing a trade for Sosa that he had to choose between D.C. and Baltimore | **Today's Post, Sports**



FORE: Michelle Wie has accepted an invitation to play in the Evian Masters, and a new policy allows her to participate in the Women's British Open, letting the teen play all four LPGA majors.

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Lakers' Tomjanovich Quits

Coach cites problems with health as reason for sudden resignation

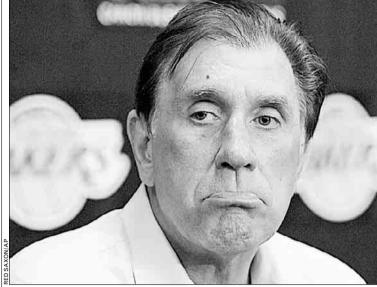
NBA | Rudy Tomjanovich resigned as coach of the Los Angeles Lakers on Wednesday, citing health concerns brought on by the job.

"There are no outside influences, be it pressure from above, anything to do with my players or being here in Los Angeles," he said. "This is all about me and how I'm wired."

Tomjanovich, 56, went 22-19 in his first season as Phil Jackson's successor and with a revamped lineup built around Kobe Bryant. Assistant coach Frank Hamblen led the Lakers to a 2-0 record when Tomjanovich missed their last two games because of a stomach virus and a sinus infection.

General manager Mitch Kupchak said Hamblen would stay on indefinitely as interim coach.

After victories, Tomjanovich said he would celebrate with a dinner of steak and fries, but the grinding feeling in his stomach always returned



"It just kept wearing on me and wearing on me," L.A. Lakers head coach Rudy Tomjanovich said of the pressure that led to his resignation on Wednesday.

by the time he finished his meal.

"It just kept wearing on me and wearing on me and my resistance got low. It hurt my health," he said, clearly subdued.

Tomjanovich, who led the Houston Rockets to NBA titles in 1994 and 1995, returned to coaching after recovering from bladder cancer. He said that he began wearing down mentally and physically about a month ago.

Tomjanovich said the Lakers offered him a consulting position for two years, which he planned to consider. John Nadel (AP)

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Salary Cap Remains a Sticking Point for NHL

Players reject owners' latest offer, Bettman to rejoin negotiations

HOCKEY | The National Hockey League's latest salary-cap proposal to end the season-long lockout was rejected Wednesday by the players' union, which came back with its own idea: Bring commissioner Gary Bettman to the bargaining table.

Bettman accepted, and is set to rejoin the talks Thursday for the first time since Dec. 14. He'll meet with union head Bob Goodenow.

In turning down the offer from the league, which has demanded "cost certainty" as part of any new collective bargaining agreement, the union reiterated it won't accept a salary cap as a solution. A CBA sets the rules that govern all player contracts, including estab-



 $\label{lem:commissioner} Commissioner\ Gary\ Bettman\ has\ been$ left out of the labor talks for one month.

lishing minimum salaries and other labor practices.

The NHL proposed a six-year deal that contained a cap that would force teams to spend at least \$32 million on player costs but no more than \$42 million.

The lockout reached its 140th day Wednesday, and has forced the cancellation of 762 of the 1,230 regular-season games plus the All-Star game. IRA PODELL (AP)

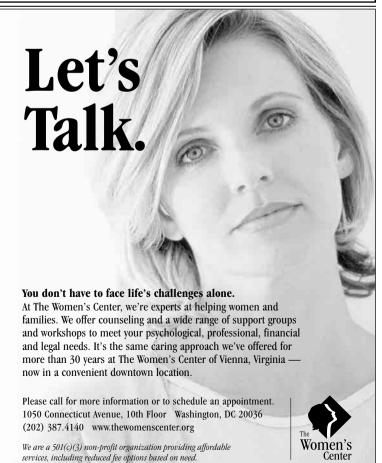
Iowa Kicks Top Player Off Its Basketball Team

COLLEGE HOOPS | Iowa's leading scorer Pierre Pierce was kicked off the basketball team Wednesday while under investigation by West Des Moines police for intent to commit sexual abuse, burglary and other crimes at the home of a former girlfriend.

Pierce's attorney, Alfredo Parrish, said Iowa athletic officials acted prematurely in taking action against Pierce.

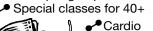
"They should have waited until all the facts were out," Parrish said. "We believe they have not acted either in the best interest of the university or the best interest of the students, and clearly not in the best interest of Pierre Pierce." (AP)

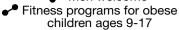
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Mystics Guard Retires for ESPN

Dales-Schuman guits after three years to focus on broadcasting

WASHINGTON | Washington Mystics guard Stacey Dales-Schuman chose the TV studio over the basketball court, announcing her retirement from the WNBA on Wednesday after a recent increase in her role as an ESPN analyst.

"Over the past couple of seasons my passion and spirit for playing basketball has slowly diminished," Dales-Schuman said. "Leaving the game is not an easy decision to make, but one that I am fully comfortable with for both myself and my family."

Dales-Schuman joined ESPN in 2002 as a studio analyst for coverage of women's college basketball. Football and men's basketball were recently added to her network duties.



Stacey Dales-Schuman averaged 9.3 points per game with the Mystics.

Dales-Schuman was the No. 3 overall pick in the 2002 draft from Oklahoma. She averaged 9.3 points, 2.6 rebounds and 2.9 assists in three seasons with the Mystics. (AP)

MasterCard Steps In To Alter Redskins' Plan

REDSKINS | Dan Snyder's latest marketing ploy didn't sit well with the credit card company, forcing the Washington Redskins to reverse course on a plan to restrict the way fans pay for tickets.

The Redskins, acting on a request from MasterCard, this week dropped a requirement that fans use a special Redskins Extra Points MasterCard if using a credit card to pay for season tickets.

"We just asked the Redskins to

accept all MasterCard cards, and they agreed," MasterCard spokesman Chris Monteiro said Wednesday.

In previous seasons, fans could use any credit card, cash or check to pay for tickets until the new plan was announced

After MasterCard's intervention. first reported by The Washington Post, the Redskins now say they will accept any type of MasterCard, although no other brands of credit cards will be accepted. (AP)

COLLEGE HOOPS (7 P.M. ON ESPN) No. 2 North Carolina takes on in-state rival N.C. State in Thursday's ACC game of

GOLF (4 P.M. ON USA) The PGA Tour moves further inland with the start of the FBR Open in Scottsdale, Ariz.

NBA (8 P.M. ON TNT) LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers visit Shaquille O'Neal and the Miami Heat.

NBA (10:30 P.M. ON TNT) The NBA's best team, the San Antonio Spurs, visits the Los Angeles Lakers, who are still without the injured Kobe Bryant.

Entertainment



WeekendPass



St. Louis' Chingy goes from small-timer to hip-hop superstar

MUSIC | The weekend beckons and you don't know whurr to go. You and your girl are a puhrr and you've got taxi fuhrr, head on down to Dream and let Chingy teach you to do without that pesky "eh" sound altogether.

Because that's the way we do that right thurr.

If Nelly introduced this ball into the game of regional hip-hop, fellow St. Louisite Chingy ran with it—all the way to the bank.

His bouncy club hits brought the baller back to the dance floor, where it's always summertime and the pimpin' is easy, because Chingy doesn't take the lure of the streets (or the myth of the lure of the streets) as seriously as he takes the call of the beat.

In fact, the metaphor of both street life and stardom as one big roll in the casino is more appropriate to Chingy than the simile of stardom as street life, and therefore more believable. (Once you get into a certain tax bracket, the thug life is something you pay others to live, and even fans know that.)

St. Louis' finest went from small-time gambler with the

album "Jackpot" in 2003 to swinging with the high rollers on "Power Ballin'." Those sproingy beats, that untranslatable drawl, the forays into smoove R&B ("I like your style, your grace/Your beautiful face, your essence") put the rapper at the high-end bacccarat table of the music game.

On the lookout for a sure thing, Ludacris and his manager signed him to the Disturbing tha Peace label, meaning the Dirty South got dirtier as St. Louis and Atlanta joined forces.

That's when "Right Thurr" exploded all the heck over the clubs, the charts and the ears of every urbanite who'd ever flipped on a radio station. The inescapable dance-floor anthem shook booty from coast to coast, after which Chingy showed he's got a lot more in him than a funny accent.

Dream,1350 OkieSt. NE; Fri., Feb. 4, 8 p.m., \$20; 800-551-7328.

"Chingy" is the sound of a young rapper hitting the hip-hop jackpot.





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Funny Face: Mochrie and Sherwood

It's a hard-tested truism of showbusiness that ordinary-looking fellows get a lot better looking when standing behind a mike. So what of the cutie-pie standup guy? That Brad Sherwood of "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" must have it made, man. He does his thang along with perfectly acceptable looking "Line"mate Colin Mochrie.

Warner Theatre, 513 13th St. NW; Sat., Feb. 5, 8 p.m.,\$41-\$56.50; 800-551-7328. (Metro Center)

Free and Rangy: Angela Bofill

Cuban-Puerto Rican singer-actress Angela Bofill can't settle on one of anything. Her gorgeous voice doesn't just cover three and a half octaves, it also covers R&B, Latin ballads, gospel and jazz — even, ocassionally, opera — and imbues all these genres with soulful sincerity. She settles in for a three-night run at Blues Alley.

Blues Alley, 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW; Thu.-Sat., Feb. 3-5, 8 ⋈ 10 p.m., \$25; 202-337-4141.

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Hyphenate Angela Bofill is multiethnic and has a multi-octave range.

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COMFORT FOOD: It's the annual Chocolate Lovers' Festival. Old Town Fairfax, Main Street and University Drive, Fairfax; Sat. & Sun Feb 5&6 free some events require fee; 703-385-1661.

Never Grow U

Tommy Stinson is the youngest old guy in indie-rock showbiz

MUSIC | Tommy Stinson could give Peter Pan some competition in the eternal youth sweepstakes.

For one thing, there's his band of Lost Boys. He has gleefully played metal with Guns N' Roses, hip-hop with Puff Daddy and electronica with BT. For another, he's a 25-year veteran of the music biz.

But at 38, Tommy Stinson still sports the boyish, spiky looks of the 14-year-old who joined his big brother in a little band called the Replacements. Talk about lost boys. The 'Mats were the Minneapolis band who thrashed their way across the '80s rock landscape, while aweing everyone from their countless



IRREPLACEABLE: Guitarist Tommy Stinson walked away from the rubble of the Replacements years ago, but he's been working in nearly every genre ever since.

imitators to fans named Jagger and Richards. And it's that band's restless leader, Paul Westerberg, who leaves the most audible imprint on "Village Gorilla Head," Stinson's first proper solo album. Stinson showcases his new songs Friday

The wistful, soul-weary strum of tracks like "Light of Day" recall Westerberg's beautiful loser persona. But Stinson's guitar and Dylanesque inflection is fully modernized by the sonic tweaks he learned from soujourns in rap and club music ("Without a View," the title track). And when it gets too deep, a couple old-school rock hootenannies ("Couldn't Wait," "Motivation") erupt to cleanse the palate.

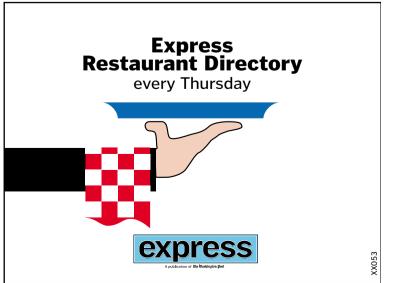
It's the pot-luck sound of a guy who doesn't care to grow up, settle down and make boring, vanilla, "adult" records. Let's hope Tommy Stinson never leaves Neverland. ROR MASSEY

Iota Club & Café, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; Fri., Feb. 4, 9:30 p.m. \$12; 703-522-8340. (Clarendon)

> "...with a dry sake - shrimp... scallop







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Dancer Rafaela Carrasco performs in next Saturday's show, "Crossroads."

Stamp to the Music: Flamenco Gala

Lisner Auditorium's Flamenco Festival 2005 continues with Sara Jerez-Marlow (dance) and Richard Marlow(guitar)leading a flamencobasics class on Thursday and Ballet Flamenco star Sara Baras performing the stomping, hand-clapping, passion-provoking work "Suenos" on Saturday and Sunday.

George Washington University, Lisner Auditorium, 730 21st St. NW; through Feb. 12, 7 p.m. (Thu.), 8 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.), \$15-\$50; 202-994-6800. $(Foggy\ Bottom\text{-}GWU)$

Hot Chops: The Nighthawks

The Nighthawks are the consummate good-time bar band and haven't left their home base for the greener, more treacherous fields of N.Y.-L.A. Reward them by showing a little local love.

Rams Head Tavern, 33 West St., Annapolis, Md.; Sat., Feb. 5, 7 p.m., \$18.15; 410-268-4545.

Blondes Have More Funny: Caroline Rhea

Before she hosted the slim-downor-else reality show "The Biggest Loser," before she played one of Sabrina's cool aunts on the Melissa Joan Hart teen-witch show. before she guested on "Curb Your Enthusiasm," Caroline Rhea was a stand-up gal. As in comedian. She does her thing over three nights at D.C. Improv.

Improv, 1140 Connecticut Ave. NW; Thu.-Sat., Feb. 3-5, 8:30 p.m. (Thu.), 8 & 10:30 p.m. (Fri. & Sat.), \$20; 202-296-7008. (Farragut North)

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Voice for the Age

Jazzman Jimmy Scott's eerie tenor evokes heartache

MUSIC | No one ever forgets the first time he heard Little Jimmy Scott.

His otherworldly voice literally sounds like no other. Though his body stopped growing at 13, his delivery was always that of an old soul. Now, at age 79, and visiting Kennedy Center Jazz on Thursday and Friday, he is at the peak of a career that would have wrecked weaker men.

Every write-up will make the

obligatory mention of Kallmann's Syndrome, the rare condition that caused Scott never to experience puberty. But his contralto range contributes only the merest portion of the aching, ethereal soul he effortlessly imparts through each note.

Perhaps the boundless greed of record label moguls is part of it. Over three decades, contractual disputes repeatedly kneecapped Scott's hitmaking powers. (He worked as a shipping clerk for years.) Or perhaps it's the loss of his mother in a car accident when he was 13 that haunts him still.

Whatever the source, Scott has

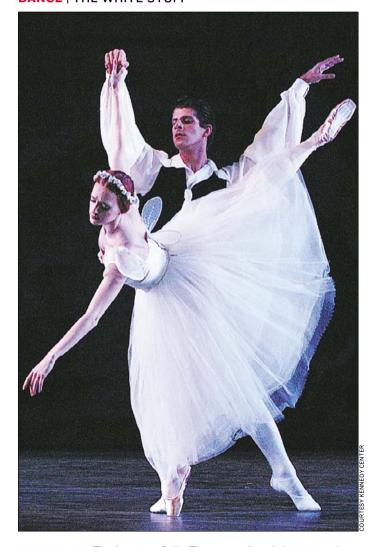
pulled off a major comeback late in life. Since 1991, he's been a constant presence on the jazz charts, appeared in movies and television, performed with everyone from Charlie Parker to Wilco, and his 2003 album, "Moon Glow," has won a new generation of fans. Bob massey

Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; Thu. & Fri., Feb 3 & 4, 7:30 & 9:30 p.m., \$25; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom-GWU)

PEAK MOMENTS: At 79. Jimmv Scott is hitting his stride.



DANCE | THE WHITE STUFF



LOVE ETERNAL: The American Ballet Theatre was founded in 1940, and that's the decade the esteemed company returns to with this program of popular favorites ("Swan Lake," "Giselle," above) and classics rarely performed today ("Les Sylphides," "Petrouchka," "La Spectre de la Rose"). Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; through Feb. 13, \$29-\$99; 202-467-4600.

Henry Darger's Unreality Show

A filmmaker tries to sift facts from a visionary's fiction

FILM | There are few stranger experiences on this Earth than viewing visionary artist Henry Darger's epic illustrated novel.

The 15,000-page work, the culmination (actually unfinished at the artist's death) of an obscure obsession, follows seven otherworldly little girls known as the Vivian Sisters - all of them versions of figures in 1930s children's books - who battle evil men bent on enslaving children. The panels are seething with figures, many of them of uncertain sexuality, and aglow in poisonous mustards and yellows. The story is indecipherable; the overall impression is of a mind neither healthy nor whole.

So no doubt seeing filmmaker Jessica Yu's "In the Realms of the Unreal" is only slightly less bizarre a mental journey. The documentarian ("Breathing Lessons: the Life and Work of Mark O'Brien" and "Men of Re-Enaction") explores Darger's double life as an introverted janitor and an artist whose head danced



A panel depcting the Vivian Girls at the "Second Battle of McHollister Run."

with singular imagination.

Yu's own take is a visionary one, fitting considering her subject, and she uses the voices of Dakota Fanning and Larry Pine, a team of animators and original music by Emmy-winning composer Jeff Beal to bring Darger's work — and life — to life. (EXPRESS)

Landmark E Street Cinema, 11th and E streets NW; opens Fri., Feb. 4; 202-452-7672. (Metro Center)

Freaks and Geek

Enigma and Katzen go from sideshow cage to center stage

OUT & ABOUT | Say what you will about extreme body modification. If you get yourself tattooed headto-toe with blue puzzle pieces and have devil horns implanted beneath your scalp, nobody will ever:

a) question your commitment to alternative standards of beau-

b) offer you employment as a playground attendant or psychiatric nurse.

When the fellow who calls himself the Enigma left the Jim Rose Circus and set out on his own with his tiger-striped wife, Katzen, certain career options were closed to them.

But rock 'n' roll was wide open. So it is that Katzen and the Enigma's band, HumanMarvels, sets its circus down at the Black Cat Friday.



HORNY DEVIL: The Enigma, blue, and wife Katzen, striped, are self-made marvels.

Promising "Two Great Tastes That Grate Tastes Together," HumanMarvels delivers lo-fi rocktronica with sideshow flair.

Songs such as "Ten in One" and "Crank" are straightforward carny's pitches. (If your high-school chorus ever sang "Magic to Do" from "Pippin," you basically get the idea.)

The music may well be upstaged by the mayhem. A flier says HumanMarvels will be "Using Swords Skewers Grinders Axes PowerTools Whips & Custom Stunt Guitars."

A less imposing duo will be fronting opening act Exit Clov, a local band that takes its name from a stage direction in Samuel Beckett's "Endgame." Singers (and occasional violinists) Emily and Susan Hsu weave pretty folk-pop harmonies while guitarist Aaron Leeder, bassist Brett Niederman and drummer John Thayer lay down proggish jamband grooves. Once in a blue moon, Bach makes an appearance.

It's a peculiar combination maybe not as confounding as puzzleman and tigress — but it works.

Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; Fri., Feb. 4, 9:30 p.m., \$8; 800-551-7328. (USt.-Cardozo)

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Peasantville: **Russian Dance**

Igor Moiseyev is still in charge of the dance company he founded and that bears his name. The Moiseyev Dance Company brings its colorful stagings of exuberant Russian folk dances to GMU.

George Mason University, Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax; Fri., Feb. 4, 8 p.m., \$22-\$44; 703-218-6500.

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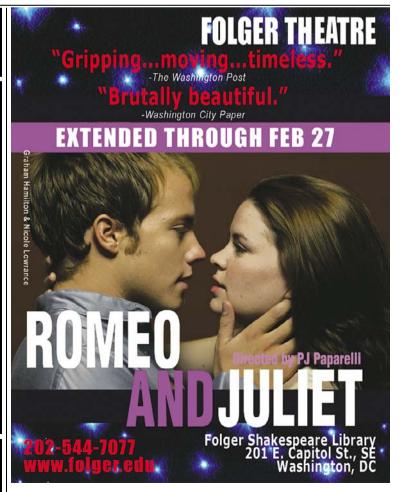


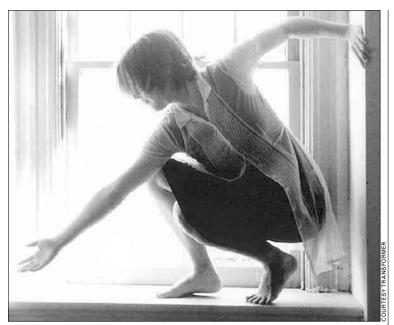
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DANCE AROUND: Organizer and performer Jane Jerardi has tricks up her sleeve.

Art Party Pass It Along

'Site,' a multi-genre performance event, takes over the town

OUT & ABOUT | Dancers Ginger Wagg and Jane Jerardi are putting the "art" back in "party."

Uppity curatorial types would probably call their three-part "In Site" series a "performance event" or somesuch. But with its emphasis on demolishing the fourth wall between audience and performer, the whole idea boils down to a party. Really three parties over three months. Parties at which some of the guests will be acting a bit strangely.

"Spill," kicks off Saturday at Transformer Gallery. Motley visionaries will assemble a wonderland of sight, sound and movement. Artist Agata Olek's fabric sculptures will snake from the rooftop around the space. Composer Jonathan Matis' score will incorporate bursts from a passing car driven by DJ Milo. And the movements of both dancers and guests will be highlighted with projections by photographer Ben Tankerslev.

"Listen" is slated for March 19 at Revolution Records. The drumsand-keyboard duo Aquarium provide the sounds. The record store's listening booths will be converted into private film screening booths, which sounds dirtier than it's likely to be. Photos and art by Michael Witchita and Angela Jerardi are somewhat self-explanatory.

The third event, "Crave," takes place in a bar. April 30 and May 1 at the Warehouse Next Door, cello improvisor Audrey Chen teams with actor Naoko Maeshiba, Tom King and Lucas Zarwell (of Lobster Boy) bring the noise and Jermiah Jones and Winston Yu provide original films. Jerardi's solo dance incorporates lessons on how to pick someone up — literally or figuratively.

The whole glorious three-part shindig is just the latest of many offbeat performance events (so "party" doesn't do them justice) by Wagg and Jerardi. In 2004, they hosted art throwdowns in a one-bedroom apartment and the Warehouse Theater Gallery. Now that's some fine art. BOB MASSEY

"Spill," Sat., Feb. 5, 7 p.m. Transformer, 1401 P St. NW; "Listen," Sat., March 19, 8:30 p.m. Revolution Records, 4215 Connecticut Ave. NW. (Van Ness-UDC); "Crave," Sat., April 30-Sun., May 1, 8 p.m. Warehouse Next Door, 1021 7th St. NW (Convention Center); 202-262-1480.

Hardcore Support

The Overprivileged hang up their liberal guilt and their music

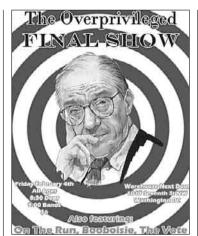
MUSIC | Anybody who's angry enough can attempt a career in political punk. But to practice the craft in Washington, you have to step up vour game.

Back in the Reagan years, bands across the country lambasted the commander-in-chief. In D.C., then-Attorney General Edwin Meese drew fire as well, from posters and T-shirts reading "Meese Is a Pig."

Drawing on the legacy of D.C. hardcore acts who know the names in the president's Rolodex, the Overprivileged titled their 2001 debut "The Wrath of Greenspan."

Protesting an America gone consumer-crazy, they called the followup "Cheap Plastic Crap."

Economics have never been the band's strong suit, though. The Overprivileged give away their music online, and Friday



TARGET: Alan Greenspan makes an unwitting cameo as a rock poster boy.

at Warehouse Next Door they'll uphold that tradition in person, as they reward attendees of their final gig with copies of their new CD, "Mission Accomplished."

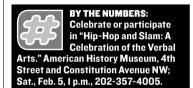
Before they close up shop, the Overprivileged will regale the faithful with calls to action such as "Apathy's End" and "Separation of Wall Street and State." They'll also present some slices of life, from the

downtown mugging of "U Street" to the deathbed advice of "Drink Schmidt's (Not Schlitz)."

You won't be able to view the video of "A Better Way," in which the avenging angel takes the form of a police-capped rabbit that excretes an army of spastic Captain Kirks — you have to go to the Overprivileged's Web site (theoverprivileged.com) for that but they promise to make up for it with a show that unleashes your inner Shatner.

Three other politically minded bands - On the Run, the Vote and Booboisie - round out the bill, so get there early. Glenn dixon

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Danilo Perez is bringing nations and jazz styles together

MUSIC | Watching the evolution of Danilo Perez's career has been fascinating.

A little over a decade ago, when he dropped his eponymous debut album in 1993, he was a promising jazz pianist and composer who had recently gained props for playing in Dizzy Gillespie's United Nations Orchestra.



With each succeeding album, TWO WORLDS: Panamian folk and up-to-date jazz come together on "Motherland."

Perez's identity became more distinguishable, and by the end of the '90s, he became a serious force to be reckoned with.

But it was in 2000 when his career took a surprising giant step: Perez was appointed the United States' cultural ambassador to his homeland of Panama, Later that year, he released "Motherland," a masterpiece in which he infused folkloric Panamanian music with modern jazz.

Since then, Perez has attained even more prominence by playing in Wayne Shorter's quartet. Still, he

keeps it real when it comes to his diplomatic position with Panama, indefatigably working to help raise the profile of his country as a new hotbed of cosmopolitan culture.

A couple of weeks ago, he put his ambassadorial efforts into practice by not only playing at the second annual Panama Jazz Festival, but returning as the event's artistic director.

He'll continue his diplomatic cultural exchanges at the Library of Congress, where he'll perform in a trio setting with drummer Adam Cruz and bassist Ben Street, delivering what promises to be another captivating moment in his heroic career. John Murph

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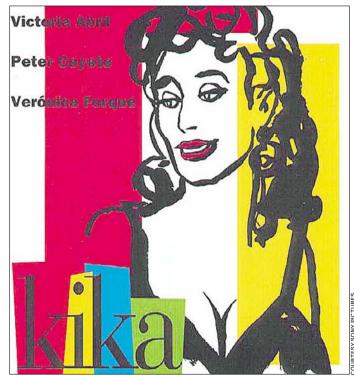
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FILM | STRANGE LOVE



ALL EYES: Now that the film establishment is giving Pedro Almodóvar his due, remember when he was the auteur of the freaks and avant-gardists. AFI Silver's retrospective features 1993's "Kika." AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; Thu. & Sun., Feb. 3 & 6, \$7.50-\$8.50; 301-495-6700.

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'Doodle' Dandy: **Kavakos and the NSO**

Violinist Leonidas Kavakos is the

honored guest as Leonard Slatkin conducts the National Symphony Orchestra in a program including Korngold's Violin Concerto and Thomson's Yankee Doodle Suite.

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Almost Like Heaven

Iris DeMent spent years building a sterling gospel set

MUSIC | In the early '90s, Iris DeMent burst onto the country-folk scene with "Infamous Angel" and "My Life." Her songbag packed with confessional tunes that sounded as though you'd always known them, she was hailed as the best thing to happen to acoustic music in ages.

In 1996, she returned with the more political, "The Way I Should," and then ... nothing. For eight years.

At last there's "Lifeline," a new disc of gospel chestnuts that DeMent will pull from when she plays the Birchmere this week.



Getting back on her feet after SALVATION: Country-folk's DeMent made a splash, gave it up and returned healed.

depression, writer's block and divorce, she took to her piano. But don't mistake her two-night stand as some sort of traveling tent revival. Her relationship with the Almighty has always been strained. The Pentecostalist hymns she was raised on course through her veins, but she claims songs like "Blessed Assurance" and "Sweet Hour of Prayer" "aren't about religion."

With its heavy vibrato and reedy tone, DeMent's voice can take some getting used to. But if you've acquired the taste, nothing else will do. As for the repertoire, uncertain times call for songs that know exactly where they're going. GI ENN DIXON

Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; Thu. & Fri., Feb. 3& 4, 7:30 p.m., \$25; 800-551-7328.



New Music:

Strathmore's ambitious Music Center opens with a bang. | Cover

→ Also, weekend reggae; reviews of the new movies.



Kristin Hersh's Long Journey

MUSIC | Kristin Hersh has been a busy woman. She released two albums in 2003, one with her former band, Throwing Muses, and her gentle sixth solo album, "Grotto." She moved cross-country to Palm Springs, Calif. She formed a new band, 50 Foot Wave. This whole time she was pregnant with her forth child, Bodhi.

And to top it all off, she suffers from an emotionally crippling bipolar disorder.

Her disorder, which at the time caused her to hallucinate, was prevalent in the early days of Throwing Muses, an angular, heavy rock band formed in 1983 by Hersh and her half sister, Tonya Donelly (The Breeders, Belly). Hersh explored heavily with some disconcerting mental and psychological imagery on early Muses albums.

After they officially split in 1996, Hersh focused on her solo work, which was gentler than the Muses', centered around the acous-

By the time she went solo Hersh had partially conquered her prob-



MOMMY & ME: Hersh with her son in 1998, struggling with indie-rock and life.

lems with the help of lithium, and by the mid-'90s she dropped the medication. She released "Strange Angels" in 1998, which displayed more confidence as a solo artist. She then released an album of traditional Appalachian folk songs from her childhoodm "Murder, Mystery and Then Goodnight." Her most mainstream releases followed with "Sky Motel" and "Sunny Border Blue."

Hersh's solo work takes listeners to a safe, warm place. The dissolute, minimal guitar work blends perfectly with her airy voice; even her whispers demand attention. (RYAN PATRICK DOHERTY)

Iota Club & Café, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; Thu., Feb. 3, 9:30 p.m., \$12; 703-522-8340. (Clarendon)

Seats to the Super Bowl

There's a big-screen bar out there ... no matter who your team

OUT & ABOUT | Another Super Bowl without the Redskins. Well, there's always next year, right? Right? For now, here's a guide to some spots throwing parties for the last competitive football game of this season. Kickoff is at 6:30 p.m., and wherever you choose to watch the Eagles and Patriots, you're advised to arrive well in advance.

- → CHAMPPS AMERICANA: Just weeks after returning to WJFK-FM, the Sports Junkies are hosting a Super Bowl show from this sports bar, offering commentary and instant analysis as only the Junkies can. 11750 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax; 703-383-1200.
- → ESPN ZONE: There's no cover charge if you want to watch the Super Bowl on the Zone's 16-foot high-definition screen, but there are a couple of catches. Tickets are first-come, first-served basis, beginning Friday at 5 p.m. With these, you agree to spend a minimum of \$15 on food and drink per person, per hour. (Maximum, four people.) 555 12th St. NW; 202-783-3776.
- → HYATT REGENCY CRYSTAL CITY: The Positive Black Men Coalition takes over the Hyatt from 4 till late with a combination of music and sports. DJ Rico of WPGC-FM will pro-



TOUCHDOWN: Last year's Super Bowl viewers go nuts for ... uh, who played again?

vide the beats, and five large projection screens will show the game. Organizers are providing free snacks, drink specials and games. There's an after-party with Lissen and Familiar Faces. 2799 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington; \$20; positive black men-coalition.com

→ MISTER DAYS SPORTS ROCK CAFE:

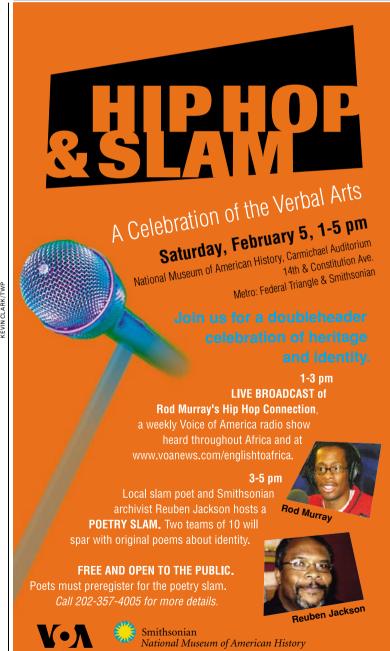
We're not sure what will be the bigger draw at Mister Days' Super Bowl party: the 110-inch projection televisions or the Redskinettes who perform a half-hour before kickoff and again at halftime. All seats in the bar are sold on a first-come, first-served basis for \$15 or \$25. A pregame buffet is served from 4 to 5:45 p.m. A limited number of \$50 tickets are also available. 3100 Clarendon Blvd., Arlington; 703-527-1600.

→ MURPHY'S GRAND IRISH PUB: As the

official home of the mid-Atlantic region's largest New England Patriots fan club, Murphy's will be crazy on Super Bowl Sunday. The pub is bringing a large-screen television into its second-floor bar; those wearing a Donovan McNabb jersey need not apply. 713 King St., Alexandria; 703-548-1717.

RHINO BAR AND PUMPHOUSE: Well known as an Eagles bar, the Rhino will be absolutely packed on Sunday. The usual specials will be in effect - \$8 pitchers and 25-cent wings - and fans can watch the game on three big screens and more than 20 smaller ones. 3295 M St.; 202-333-3150. FRITZ HAHN (WASHINGTONPOST.COM)

Hot spots: For Fritz Hahn's complete guide to Super Bowl viewing, see washingtonpost.com/entertainment



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Focus on the Century: Andre Kertesz at NGA

Modern life never looked so savage, so accidental, so tragic as when seen through the lens of astonishingly diverse photographer Andre Kertesz. Photographs from his expansive oeuvre — ranging from the 1910s to the 1980s (he died in 1985) — depict almost a century of observation in Eastern and Western Europe and in America.

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Slide On: **Sonny Landreth**

Louisiana-based slide guitarist Sonny Landreth just released his latest album, "Grant Street," at the end of January, and in his excitement, he'll be Southern-rocking houses and swampifying the faithful all over this fine country.

Rams Head Tavern, 33 West St., Annapolis, Md.; Thu., Feb. 3, 8:30 p.m., \$31-35; 410-286-4545.

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He Is the World: **Richie Havens at Wolf Trap**

It was tough enough to be one of the only black folkies in the very white world of 1960s Greenwich Village, but it's even more impressive that singer-songwriter-guitarist-activist-writer-actor-painter Richie Havens has retained his idealism and sense of purpose even as the



JACK-OF-ALL-TRADES: There's not much Havens hasn't done in his varied life.

times became hard-hearted. A driven environmentalist, Havens devotes himself to the good of the planet when he's not putting over plangent interpretations of folk and gospel music.

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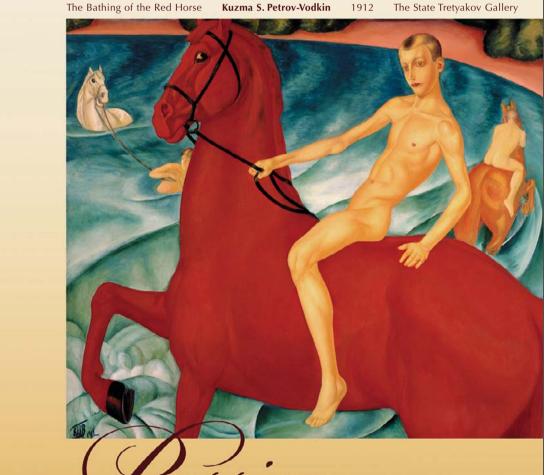
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Felix has served rounds of Nadine's Dirty Triple X, a modified version of the birthday girl's favorite dirty martini, and Penelope's Passions, a mix of Absolut Mandarin and Citron shaken with ice and served with a maraschino cherry, said owner Alan Popovsky. Or, you can always celebrate someone else's ego. Felix is currently serving Oscartinis such as The Leo, Eastwood Express and Sideways.



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Ask Tom

Washington Post Sunday Magazine columnist **TOM SIETSEMA** talks restaurants Wednesdays at 11 a.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

I was at CityZen, first at the bar, then at a table. We paid our tab but, the next day, I noticed that the restaurant placed a hold on my credit card in the amount of nearly three times the total cost of my meal/drinks. Soon after, the hold disappeared and the correct charge appeared. Is this standard?

It has become standard for restaurants (and hotels) to put on extra to cover gratuities, etc., but that "charge" usually disappears the next day or so.

I'm thinking of bistro food for my birthday dinner. Suggestions?

I'm partial to Montmartre, Bistrot Lepic and (the pricier and fancier) Bistro Bis myself.

Montmartre: 327 7th St. SE; 202-544-1244;

Bistro Lepic: 1736 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-0111 (Foggy Bottom); Bistro Bis: 15 E St. NW (in the

Hotel George); 202-661-2700 (Union Station).

What are considered good and bad tables in a restaurant? I went to a pricey D.C. place this weekend and I think perhaps I was seated in the "low rent" section.

It really depends. Window tables are generally good, seats near bathrooms and swinging kitchen doors not so much.

My husband and I have invited another couple out to dinner next Friday. They're both CIA-trained chefs so we're looking for great food, great wine and a not-too-stuffy atmosphere. We'd prefer to stay in Montgomery County.

Well, right there in Olney you have the very good, Belgian-flavored Le Mannequin Pis (though I'd drink from the interesting list of beers rather than the wine menu).

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Television



HACKFORD GOES TO WAR: Taylor Hackford is on a roll. Not only is the director up for an Oscar for "Ray," he's been hired to direct the pilot of the much-anticipated Jerry Bruckheimer-produced drama "E-Ring," a sort of "West Wing" set in the Pentagon.

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That '70s show about the '50s puts today's culture in perspective

REUNIONS | To be nostalgic for "Happy Days" is to be nostalgic for nostalgia itself. And that's a little weird. But maybe that's the point of the "Happy Days 30th Anniversary Reunion" (8 p.m., ABC).

Early in the proceedings, creator Garry Marshall recalls some sage advice from fellow producers, who suggested that if they made a show set in the past the reruns would never look old. Marshall's mentors were absolutely correct.



EVERYONE'S MOM: Mrs. C was the coolest of "Happy Days" characters.

Because "Happy Days" was a show made in the 1970s set in an antiseptic and mythical 1950s, it remains oddly timeless.

Since 1975, "Happy Days" has blazed a saccharine trail of permanent nostalgia. In three subsequent decades we have seen each pop-cultural epoch reduced to commodities, where any inconvenient facts or controversies are whitewashed or reduced to a punch line.

It would be unfair to blame the Fonz for all of this. But the Fonzmania of the mid-'70s represented the domestication of the leatherclad delinquent, one of the most powerful and frightening images from the '50s. "Happy Days" reduced James Dean's tortured outcast to a teddy bear. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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ALL IS VANITY

Scheduled on PRIMETIME (10 p.m., ABC): victims of botched Botox; developments in cosmetic dentistry.

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THE O.C. (8 p.m., Fox) Summer gets seri-



NERD IS THE WORD: Summer's interest in comics could up Seth's school profile.

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Plans to sneak a mythical creature into the country on a cruise ship go awry in the 2005 thriller CHUPACABRA: DARK SEAS (9 p.m., Sci Fi). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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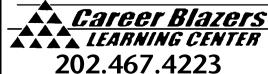
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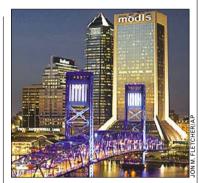
Jacksonville sees the Big Game as a shot at reputation salvation

Civic leaders cringed when the Philadelphia Eagles' Lito Sheppard was asked about his hometown of Jacksonville, Fla., the site of Sunday's Super Bowl XXXIX. "There's not much to talk about," he said.

Washington Post sportswriter and ESPN personality Tony Kornheiser went further, devoting a column last week to trashing the city. "How did Jacksonville get the Super Bowl?" he wondered. "What, Tuscaloosa was booked?'

It is that kind of thinking that city leaders are hoping to change with this weekend's festivities. For years, they have been working to erase Jacksonville's image as a smelly, redneck, Bible Belt backwater.

Outsiders "think we're all a little bit backward," said Trish McCranie, 39, selling drinks outside a seafood restaurant. "We're going to show



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them how Jacksonville really is."

The Super Bowl will draw more than 100,000 visitors to the city, and the worldwide television audience could reach 1 billion. "It raises the profile in a way that no other single event can," said Peter Rummell, cochairman of the Jacksonville Super Bowl Host Committee.

The birth of the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars in 1995 was a big boost for the city, but pro football has not done much to change its reputation as an Interstate 95 checkpoint known for Navy bases and the Southern rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd, whose signature song extols the virtues of Alabama



rather than its own hometown. Racial tensions and an alarming crime rate have not helped.

Jacksonville is, Mayor John Peyton said, better than it used to be. And the Super Bowl presents a rare opportunity to introduce it to the world. The city has hurried to plant trees, fix roads, improve public transportation and string the four downtown bridges with lights. Lacking an entertainment district, they've gussied up the Jacksonville Landing riverfront mall; a vacant shipyard will become a party center.

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Visitors will find a bustling downtown, a scenic riverfront, uncrowded beaches nearby and world-class golf courses. But with all the attention paid to Jacksonville's appearance, some say, underlying problems such as poverty, racism and crime are not being sufficiently addressed.

The deaths of two black men in police custody in December prompted demonstrators to hold a march on New Year's Day. "We still have race problems in this city," said Isaiah Rumlin, president of the Jacksonville branch of the NAACP.

But, in the end, "most folks will be positive more than negative once it's all over," said Julius Everett, a 59-year-old Jacksonville resident. MITCH STACY (AP)



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Baggage Check

DR. ANDREA BONIOR, psychotherapist and Express' advice columnist, was online Wednesday to discuss relationships and work | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

I miss an old love but I have been making a point of meeting new men and accepting dates. I think I'm over him but I have occasional pangs of loneliness for him. Does that mean I've still got some work to do?

After a loving relationship ends, occasional pangs of loneliness are as natural as occasional tears at Jon Secada songs (though perhaps less embarrassing). And the fact that you're going out on dates is a good sign. I'm sure there's still "work" to do, but it's probably fun stuff opening up to others and being on the lookout for new sparks.

I got my heart broken a few years ago by the girl I wanted to marry. Ever since, I've taken myself out of the game. I just don't try to pursue relationships, even if I like her and find out she likes me. Being lonely is better then being hurt. This has been going on for years, and I am lonely. I just don't know what it will take to get up the courage to take a chance again. I'm a wuss.

You're not a wuss. You're someone who had a very natural reaction to a hurtful situation, and hasn't yet been able to get out of it. But you also deserve something better than the loneliness you're experiencing, and it sounds like it's turned into a bit of a pattern. Not to be a therapy-pusher, but talking to somebody might really help you build up the courage you're looking for.

I screwed up my first big assignment at work several weeks ago. My supervisor had to redo the whole thing, though she never told me. How should I bring it up and apologize?

How should you bring it up? Quickly! Doing so will show accountability, conscientiousness, and "toughness in the face of adversity," although that sounds a bit Rambo-esque. You have so much to gain by handling this in a professional manner. Beginning that conversation won't be nearly as hard after the first sentence is out, so go ahead and plan it (a la high school phone calls) if it will make it easier to get started.

→ Today on Live Online

II A.M.: Post writer Peter Baker discusses President Bush's State of the Union.

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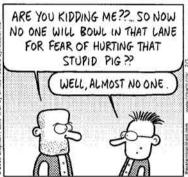


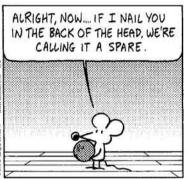




Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis







Letters

Teaching About Sexuality

THE READER WHO objected in Wednesday's Express to Focus on the Family's focus on cartoon characters makes a good point: Cartoon characters aren't real, and they're meant to be entertaining. All the more ominous when they are used in classrooms to make 5-year-olds recite a pledge about sexual identity. (A Web link to a "tolerance pledge' is included in the teaching materials associated with a video made for schools that Focus on the Family opposed.) Why should kids that young be forced to learn about sex-

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ual identity in school? That's what families are for, as your reader so poignantly expresses.

-MARILYN TERRELL Annandale, Va.

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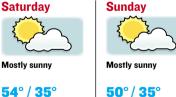
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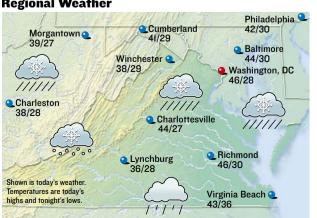






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The Olympics: The Gift That Just Won't Stop Giving

Michael Phelps was selected the U.S. Olympic Committee's SportsMan of the Year on Wednesday, and CARLY PATTERSON



won the women's award. Phelps won eight medals at the Olympics in Athens – six golds and two bronzes — becom-

ing the first American to accomplish the feat and matching the record for most medals won at a single Olympics. Patterson, the first U.S. woman to win the Olympic all-around gymnastics title since Mary Lou Retton, was chosen as SportsWoman of the Year. (AP)

FRAUD

Only Voldemort Would Ask For a Credit Card Number

J.K. ROWLING is warning Harry Potter fans to beware of Internet scams selling electronic copies of her upcoming book, "Harry Potter



and the Half-Blood Prince," Reuters reported. (The book comes out on July 16). "Please, please protect yourselves,

your computers and your credit cards and do not fall for these scams," the writer said after her lawyers succeeded in closing down a fraudulent Web site that offered the latest Potter book in electronic form. (EXPRESS)



Worse Than Jail

NBC, Donald Trump and Mark Burnett, the creators of "The Apprentice," announced Wednesday that MARTHA STEWART will host "The Apprentice: Martha Stewart." Burnett didn't reveal many details — whether there will be a boardroom. when the show would begin taping. Stewart began serving her jail sentence in October and is due to be released in early March from a prison in Alderson, W.Va. (AP)

SPLITS

An ABC Special Shall Be Made to Commemorate It

MEREDITH PHILLIPS and Ian McKee, who became engaged last winter on

ABC's "The Bachelorette," have broken up, E! reported. "Our relationship began with great expectations



for a happy ending, but unfortunately things didn't work out as we had hoped," the couple said in

a statement to "Extra." "What we experienced together was incredible and we are both sad to see it end. We thank you for your support." The break-up, the first in the show's history, is said to be mutual. (Of course, the show's history consists of only two completed seasons.) The couple has asked the media to allow them to "move forward with their lives," E! said. (EXPRESS)

'That's Hot,' Note **Hilton's Prosecutors**

Los Angeles prosecutors said Wednesday they will not file charges against PARIS HILTON stemming from a scrape at a newsstand in which she allegedly pocketed a copy of her sex video without paying. The district attorney's office dropped the case for lack of evidence after investigating Hilton for suspicion of petty theft. The investigation arose from a Dec. 15 run-in between Hilton and a West Hollywood newsstand dealer, who was selling copies of "One Night in Paris." A security video obtained by the TV show



Despite her weird nose and close-set eyes, Paris is considered very pretty.

"Celebrity Justice" appeared to show Hilton grabbing the video and walking off after buying several magazines. In other news, Hilton will host "Saturday Night Live," NBC said Tuesday. (AP)



Does This Make Him the Male Bevonce? He's So Not ENRIQUE IGLESIAS has signed a

multivear deal to be the face of True Star Men. a new fragrance from Tommy Hilfiger. It's the male counterpart to Hilfiger's True Star, which features Bevonce as its spokesmodel. "Creating a fragrance will be an exciting way to reach new fans while connecting with those people who already enjoy my music," the 29-year-old singer said. (AP)

Scientists say Tommy is losing height at a rate of 1" per year.

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On Feb. 3, rock 'n' roll stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson died in a plane crash; also, in 1690, the first paper money in America was issued by the colony of Massachusetts.

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Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You're looking for praise, but you're going about it the wrong way. Concentrate more on your own personal performance than your desire for attention.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) The need to show off will be strong in you, but one part of your psyche will resist letting go.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Cooperation can be achieved through unusual means, and used to serve selfish desires even as you satisfy someone else's

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're not in the mood to meet other people halfway; you want what you want when you want it. Of course, you may encounter resistance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) What begins as an innocent game may begin to take on characteristics of something more serious. Are you sure you know what you're doing?

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You're entering what can only be described as a lazy streak at the wrong time, for demands others make of you are likely to multiply.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be sure you put commands in terms others are willing to hear; an invitation, for example, is far bet-

tion should enable you to create a suitable distraction from the daily grind. Still, don't turn your back on responsibilities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Disappointment is inevitable, but don't let yourself retreat under a veil of distress. Use negative energies to achieve positive results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are bound to win strong reactions from those closest to you, as you throw a curve and expect to be taken serious. Timing is key.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You needn't express disapproval verbally for others to get the message. Your actions are sure to speak louder than words.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Though you are rarely moody, you may find yourself swinging from one emotional extreme to another.

ter than an ultimatum. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your imagina-

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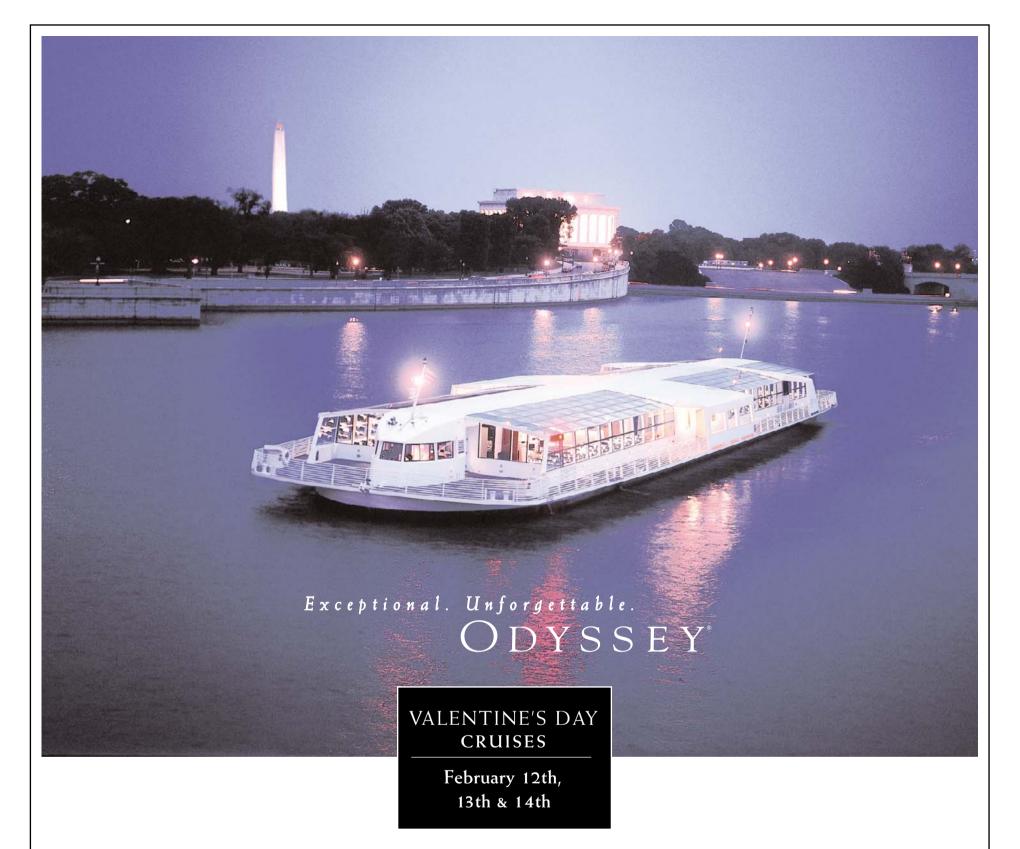
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